

Graves, Yvonne (?)

1919

[Plainfield, NJ]

756 Kensington Avenue,
Plainfield, N. Jersey.

American Numismatic Society,
New York City.

Mr. Secretary: Would it interest
your Society to examine and
purchase a large Gold Coin,
dated 1774? It has been kept
in a beautiful gold pocket book,
finely engraved.

It was part of a marriage dowry
given Miss Elizabeth Le Boudit, who
received her weight in gold when
she married Dr. Rosewell Graves
in 1774. I inherited it from a

member of the Graves family who
is now dead.

As far as I know there are no
direct heirs of this lady, and I de-
sire to settle up my affairs before
I die, and I have no blood relatives
to whom I could will it, and it has
a value, both it and the pocketbook.

Yours very truly,
Yvonne Graves,

(Mrs. J. S. Graves.)

September,
13, 1919.

September 16th, 1919.

Mrs. I. S. Graves,
756 Kensington Avenue,
Plainfield, N. J.

Dear Madam:-

Referring to your letter of the 13th we should be very glad to see the piece concerning which you write. If it is not convenient for you to bring or to send the piece to us I would suggest that you take a piece of tissue paper and placing it over the coin rub a soft lead pencil across the surface. This will give a crude facsimile of the design of the piece and probably enable us to identify it. We should of course much prefer to see it.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary.

756 Kensington Ave.,
Plainfield, N. J.
Sept. 18, 1919.

Mr. Ignace P. Hoe,
New York City.

Dear Sir: In reply to
your letter of the 16th would
state that, if you will be
in your office on Saturday
Sept. 20th I will bring the
coin for your examination
this will be more satisfact-
ory. Kindly telephone me if
you will not be in the office
on the above date and name
the hour, during the daytime
most convenient to you.

Yours truly,
J. S. Graves

Telephone {
2238 J. {
Plainfield }



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mr. Sydney P. Noel Secretary,
American Unitarian Society,
Broadway at 156th Str.
New York City.

September 19th, 1919.

Mrs. I. S. Graves,
756 Kensington Avenue,
Plainfield, N. J.

Dear Madam:-

I expect to be at our Museum on Saturday the entire day, and should be very glad to welcome you and examine the coin concerning which you have written.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Received September 20th, 1919, New York, N. Y., from
Mrs. Isabel Graves one Spanish gold piece (Doubloon of
1774 ?) in a gold receptacle together with one Massa-
chusetts shilling and one South Carolina paper bill for
eight dollars, dated September 23rd, 1776.

Secretary.

756 Kensington Avenue,
Plainfield, N. Jersey.
Sept. 30, 1919.

Mr. Sydney G. Noe,
Secretary.

Dear Mr. Noe:— I am answering your letter of the twenty-sixth from a friend's house where I am visiting. Toward the end of this week I will call at your office to get the coin and the other things I left with you. As I am not obliged to sell them, and would have liked to know that the gold

piece, especially, would be
landed where it would be taken
care of well. I regret that it will
not make a part of New York
City's Collection.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Froune Graves,

(Jamaica - New York.)

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OFFICE OF
THE SECRETARY

TELEPHONE
AUDUBON 2484



MUSEUM OPEN
10 - 5, WEEK-DAYS
1 - 5, SUNDAYS
LIBRARY OPEN
10 - 5, WEEK-DAYS

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY, BETWEEN 155TH
AND 156TH STREETS
NEW YORK

September 26th, 1919.

Mrs. Isabel S. Graves,
756 Kensington Avenue,
Plainfield, N. J.

Dear Mrs. Graves:-

Regarding the gold piece and the pine tree shilling left with me by you last Saturday, I beg to advise that our Curator states that neither of these are rare types, and that he does not care to purchase them for our collection. I have enquired from a very reliable dealer as to their value. The doubloon is worth between fifteen and sixteen dollars and the pine tree shilling, possibly two dollars. The purse in which they were found is worth between ten dollars and fifteen dollars. In other words I might be able to get for you something like twenty-five dollars for the entire lot. Do you wish me to do this, and mail you a cheque ?

Awaiting your instructions, I am,

Very respectfully yours,

Sydney P. Noe
Secretary.

Receipt Mr. Noe.

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Secretary.

*Given back to Mrs. Graves
October 6th, 1919.*